April 23, 1979

Memo to File:

RE: N.L. Industries
Rowley Magnesium Plant
Tooele County, Utah
ACT/045/008

The N.L. Industries' Rowley Magnesium Plant was visited on April 20, 1979, by Mike Thompson and Tom Suchoski of the Division. The above were met by Mr. Walter McCormick of N.L. Industries.

Mr. McCormick led a tour of the proposed oolitic sands placer mining operation. The operation is described in the April 19, 1979, submittal of N.L. Industries. A small attempted operation had been initiated in the area about 5 years ago. A substantial amount of revegetation has taken place. Species found in the area were Shadscale, Junegrass, Sage, and Rabbitbrush. The Division staff recommended stockpiling the overburden to recover the area that has been mined. This would facilitate revegetation.

The south pump station of N.L. Industries magnesium operation was also visited. The operation was explained by the pump station manager. Photos were taken.

Mr. McCormick said that an aerial photo and map of the Solar ponds was to be submitted to the Division to fulfill the requirements of the mining and reclamation plan review. Mr. McCormick requested a letter informing N.L. Industries of what would be required for the addmendum to the reclamation plan dealing with the oolitic sands operation.

THOMAS J. SUCHOSKI RECLAMATION HYDROLOGIST

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cc: John Blake, State Lands